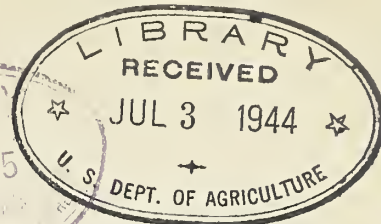


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COTTON GRADE AND STAPLE REPORTS FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 29

Of general interest this week in the cotton grade and staple reports for the Southeastern Cotton States is a material decrease in the higher grades, as compared with last week in Georgia and Alabama. The first weekly report this year on the quality of the crop in South Carolina is closely comparable in grades with those in Georgia. South Carolina staple lengths, however, this week and for the season, to date, are especially outstanding among other States reporting this week.

Large decreases in the grades Strict Middling and above of White and Extra White cotton in Georgia and Alabama are shown this week, as compared with last week and to date, this season. Last week in these States over half of the cotton was of these grade designations while this week they represent about one fourth of the cotton. Georgia and Alabama reports show slightly over 10 percent of the grades Strict Low Middling and Low Middling this week, while the South Carolina report shows about 22 percent.

The staple lengths this week in Georgia and Alabama are materially shorter than last week. Large increases are shown in staple lengths shorter than 7/8 inch. The Alabama report shows 22 percent against only about 3 percent last week, whereas the Georgia report shows 12 percent against 2 percent last week. The proportions of cotton 15/16 inch and longer as well as those 1 inch and longer, in Georgia and Alabama, are considerably smaller than were shown in the reports the previous week. South Carolina, according to today's report, shows a marked contrast in staple lengths, with 89 percent 15/16 inch and longer and 66 percent 1 inch and longer.

